

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. Method of producing a tubular pouch having a standing base formed integrally therewith, the method comprising the steps of:

forming the standing base by sealing an end of a tubular portion that forms the tubular pouch, and

drawing the sealed tubular pouch end into said tubular portion.

2. Method according to claim 1, further including the step of forming, when the sealed tubular pouch end is drawn into the tubular portion or tubular pouch body, a folded-over border which forms a standing surface.

3. Method according to claim 1, wherein a portion drawn into the tubular pouch body is held in the tubular pouch body.

4. Method according to claim 3, further including the step of sealing the said portion drawn into the tubular pouch body to the tubular pouch body, at least pointwise.

5. Method according to claim 2, wherein said folded-over border is sealed.

6. Method according claim 1, further including the step of turning said sealed tubular pouch end back in on itself into the tubular pouch body around a sleeve.

7. A tubular pouch comprising:

a tubular portion defining said pouch, and

a standing base formed integrally therewith, said standing base being formed by sealing an end of said tubular portion and drawing the sealed tubular pouch end into the tubular portion, and a standing surface being formed by a folded-over border formed in the course of drawing-in.

8. A tubular pouch according to claim 7, wherein a portion drawn into the tubular pouch body is held in the tubular pouch body.

9. A tubular pouch according to claim 8, wherein said portion drawn into said tubular pouch body is sealed to the tubular pouch body, at least pointwise.

10. A tubular pouch according to claim 7, wherein said folded-over border is sealed.

11. A tubular pouch according to claim 7, wherein the tube of the tubular pouch is formed by a tube selected from the group consisting a tube with a lap seal, and a tube extruded in tube form.

12. A tubular pouch according to claim 7, wherein said tube is arranged to be sealed inside-to-inside.

13. A tubular pouch according to claim 7, wherein said tube has at least one barrier layer.